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Column One
BY
David Courtney

WHATEVER else may be said of American policy, it is honest. The same cannot be said of the foreign policy of most other countries. It is probably true that America can afford to be honest and the other countries cannot; and it may also be true that honesty in foreign affairs is not necessarily the best policy, especially when the honest man or nation is a short-sighted dogmatist. In any event, U.S. policy on the question of the Korean peace conference, as decided upon following the talks between the Secretary of State, Mr. Dulles, and the South Korean President, Mr. Syngman Rhee, has been unequivocal and forthright, without compromise or qualification. Mr. Dulles, like Mr. Rhee, knew what he wanted, made no bones about it, and got what he wanted from the U.N. General Assembly. He deserved to do so. With a large part of the Assembly having no mind of its own, the least it could do was to submit to the straightforward mind of the United States as expressed in the debate with vivid if graceless lucidity by Mr. Cabot Lodge.

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AND Western unity has been saved if peace has been endangered. Perhaps there was little chance of peace anyway. If America's policy was honest it may also have been "realistic." Foreseeing enemies of the future it may be just as well to assume enmity now. Alternatively, the realism that afflicts us today may in the present instance be based on convincing information to the effect that North Korea, China and the Soviet Union are so desperately afraid of war and so anxious for a period of relaxation that they can be forced at a peace conference to submit to almost anything, including the demands of President Rhee; and to do so within the period of ninety days laid down by Mr. Dulles and Mr. Rhee. If that is so, American opposition to the presence of India at the peace conference becomes reasonable; for it would then have been determined by the evident fact that with the Indian "bridge-builders" seated at the table the enemy would be encouraged to resist terms it might otherwise feel compelled to accept.

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WHETHER either or neither of these two "realistic" assumptions is correct or not, only time will show. Time, indeed, may have a great deal to show us in the near future, which none of us is in a position to foresee. Policies have unpredictable consequences, however honest and realistic they may be; and especially when, as at U.N., questionable motives have caused them to become a collective commitment. What is fairly clear now is that not so much the Soviet Union and China as the Asian nations as a whole have been put in their place by the events at the General Assembly. The implications will not be lost on the Asian peoples and may even be exaggerated. Where before there was sympathy for Communism there will not be less sympathy now; and where before there was no sympathy at all, its appearance has been encouraged. And as to whether what we have gained in President Rhee more than balances what we have lost in India and other Asian countries, that is questionable.

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IT is also fairly clear that when Britain and the United States disagree on a decisive question and both stick to their guns, the United States can usually line up enough supporters to ensure the spiking of the British guns. The fact that this has been so in the matter of India's claim to a place at the Korean peace table makes it plainly evident that any British attempt to bring Communist China into U.N. will meet with even worse ignominy. It is a reasonable deduction from this that the Government at Peking will not feel encouraged to go to the peace conference in a mood of conciliation. In short, the victory has gone quite definitely to Mr. Dulles, albeit, says the "Washington Post," a "pyrrhic victory," with the Republican Party's symbolic elephant bringing the analogy between Mr. Dulles and Pyrrhus still closer.

Jerusalem, August 31.

Man Made Waste In Negev, Explorer Finds

By SYD APPLEBAUM, Jerusalem Post Reporter

"Our latest finds foreshadow mass settlement in the Negev." Dr. Nelson Glueck, noted explorer and archaeologist told **The Jerusalem Post** last night. "We have made startling discoveries of a flourishing sedentary population in the Negev dating back 5,000 years and especially to the Nabataean period of 2,000 years ago."

Dr. GLUECK

Dr. Glueck, president of Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion, (Cincinnati-New York), paced excitedly as he discussed his finds. The American expedition, he said, was carried out under auspices of the College Institute and the Louis M. Rabinowitz Foundation of New York, continuing an archaeological survey of the Negev begun last year.

Full Settlement

The sun-tanned archaeologist was astonished at the finds. Previously, five or six centres of Nabataean settlement had been found, straddling the trade route from Nabataea in Trans-Jordan to the Mediterranean and Sinai. This is the first indication of full settlement on both sides of the Jordan by these "sophisticated Bemites," whose heyday dated from the 2nd century B.C.E. to the second century C.E.

In the past two years, the expedition, "covering every hillside, every unusual mound or clump of stones," has unearthed 50 such settlements, and in the next two weeks, Professor Glueck confidently indicated, 25 more will be found.

The Nabataean state of agricultural advancement presages well for development of the "man-made" Negev wastes, Dr. Glueck stated. The settlers of two milennia ago had a well-developed agriculture. Their terraces are still traceable.

"They were great water engineers," said the explorer, "in a manner which would warm Dr. Walter Clay Lowdermilk's heart." They channelled off rainfall from the slopes on to the terraces, which soaked up the rain, giving the crops well-watered soil to flourish in. Even today, the ground is greener where they laboured.

Roman Road

A Roman highway six metres wide, with clearly-demarcated embankments was discovered in Wadi Ramman. The explorers found Roman milestones, probably the first such trove, two of which they set up on their bases.

The 50 settlements, one, for example, with a probable population of 500, were occupied after the Nabataean period, by the Romans and later by their Byzantine heirs.

During 4,000 B.C.E. a large group was settled near Ain Mureifiq (Ein Ovdut) on a hillside. This Chalcolithic settlement actually had a water supply at a distance of two kilometres for their village.

"This is not an isolated instance," Dr. Glueck pointed out. "I expect to find many such settlements of that quite advanced civilization."

Apparently, the Chalcoliths had built stone houses, made pottery, and established a well-rooted village.

Every Square Inch

A native Mid-Westerner, the professor's accent sounded clearly in his excitement. He explained that the remaining two or three weeks he would spend here would be occupied in continuing the first six weeks' work.

Dr. Glueck, whose extensive knowledge of this area was gained over an 18-year-period much of which time he was Director of the American School of Oriental Research in Old Jerusalem, is returning to the Negev this morning, to complete the search "of every square inch of the Negev's sands."

All Set to Start Testing for Oil

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA, Sunday. — Test-drilling for oil in the Negev will start in the beginning of September on a spot seven kilometres north of Sdom—approximately 60 metres off the main road. This is the exact place where bituminous (liquid) asphalt was discovered by the Israel Mining Industries recently.

The second site chosen for drilling is near Massada, but a large stretch of road must be made serviceable before work is to start. Both these areas will be drilled by the Lapidot company and the Israel Oil Prospectors Corporation Limited.

The Husky Oil Company of Cody, Wyoming, will begin prospecting in Wadi Had Hira. They contemplate setting up their headquarters in Sdei-Boker.

FINDS THIS YEAR

The Jerusalem Post correspondent in New York writes that it is most likely that by the end of this year oil will be found in Israel as a result of three drilling operations planned by the Lapidot Corporation, according to Mr. Abraham Dickenstein, Ampal's president.

A crew of 20 Americans in all, seasoned workers who have been bringing up oil in Latin America, the Middle East and America itself, will do the drilling. Not only will they begin the Lapidot work but they will be responsible for training at least 80 Israeli employees who should, in due course, be able to take the place of their instructors.

The exclusive drilling contractors for Lapidot are the Kerr-McGee Industries of Oklahoma City. One of the chiefs of that firm, Democratic Senator Robert S. Kerr, has pledged his firm's complete cooperation in making the venture a success.

One of the American drillers said that he believed it would take about two years to train the Israelis and by then it might be possible to replace some of the Americans with local engineers.

Water Finds Would Mean Autarchy

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK, Sunday. — Simultaneous with the United Jewish Appeal announcement of a special Fall campaign to raise $25m. in cash, Dr. Albert G. Black, head of the U.N. Food and Agricultural Organization's mission to Israel, said yesterday that Israel might achieve economic self-sufficiency in a decade provided sufficient funds were available to drill for underground water.

Dr. Black, who is returning to Israel tomorrow, said that the scientific search for water had already contributed materially to Israel's progress. He added that sugar beet cultivation was most promising and that good prospects existed for the country to produce locally the 30,000 tons of sugar now imported annually.

Victims Identified; Jordan Conceals News of Murders

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The bodies of the five Jews who were murdered in Jordan territory last Thursday were handed over to Israel authorities at Eilat at 6.45 p.m. yesterday. They were taken to Tel Hashomer Hospital where they were identified.

The names of the murdered hikers are: Gila Jen-Akiva, 28, of Kfar Yehoshua; Miriam Mundarer, 23, of Haifa; Arie Mager, 27, of Ein Ivron; Yaa'cov Klassel, 25, of Kibbutz Hagovrim; Eitan Mintz of the Kfar Saba area.

Sunday's Jordan press did not mention the murder of five Israel civilians by Arab Legionnaires on Thursday. Although Jordan papers usually magnify every simple border incident with huge front-page headlines, not a single mention of the tragedy was made.

According to the Arab News Agency the U.N. Observers who made the on-the-spot investigation are "convinced" that the Arab Legionnaires had warned the party to surrender — which they refused, trying instead to escape. The broadcast added that maps and documents were found with them.

Amman Censor

Observers believe that despite the fact that Radio Ramallah originally reported the ANA account of the incident, the Jordan military censor had prohibited the publication of the report at the last minute.

They based their belief on the assumption that a Mixed Armistice Commission investigation was bound to bring to light the perversions in the Jordan communique which had claimed that the murdered Jews were soldiers, and armed, which, if true, would have given ground for an exchange of fire.

However, since the party was composed of unarmed civilians who were butchered, instead of being detained, the Jordan authorities apparently prefer to keep the entire story from the public.

The only hint — an indirect one — that something unusual had occurred along the border was an item in the Old City daily, "Falastin," reporting an urgent meeting between Major-General Mohammed Izhaq and the Jordan Premier and Defence Minister, Dr. Fawzi Muilki, in Amman on Saturday night at which "the situation along the Israel-Jordan armistice lines" was discussed.

How Long Will Murders Be Tolerated, Begin Asks

BEERSHEBA, Sunday. — "One thousand Israelis have been killed by Arabs during the five years of the Armistice! How long must we tolerate this?" Mr. Menahem Begin, M.K., Herut Party leader said here tonight. He was addressing over 1,000 cheering spectators who flocked to the local cinema to hear him.

"We all know," Mr. Begin went on, "that our economic situation leaves much to be desired, but this is not as important as the spilling of innocent Jewish blood.

"The Arabs," he said, "are trying to drive us into the sea, but they know that we will finally push them into the desert, in spite of their friendly relation with the U.S."

BEDUIN BOY KILLED

BEERSHEBA, Sunday. — An 11-year-old boy was killed today when he stepped on a mine near Nevatim. He was Abdul Aziz, of the Abu Rabe'il Beduin tribe.

3,000 Communist Agents Arrested In West Germany

HELMSTEDT, Germany, Sunday (Reuter).—During the last 48 hours, a force of 10,000 West German Federal frontier police have arrested nearly 3,000 alleged East German Communist agents who tried to enter West Germany by train here to disturb next Sunday's general elections.

The police said that each of the arrested persons had 200 German marks (£18) hidden on him. This money was confiscated together with tons of Communist propaganda material.

Officials said that the agents had been instructed to go to the Ruhr to disturb election preparations.

The Social Democrats and Christian Democrats indulged in sharp exchanges on foreign policy today in the election campaign.

Fritz Heine, press officer of the Social Democrats, proposed that the future international status of a united Germany should be similar to that of Sweden or Switzerland.

Neutrality Asked

He said his Party would like the Big Four to agree on a guarantee not to attack Germany. They should also guarantee the German borders of 1937.

In no event should a united Germany become part of a military alliance with either the East or the West.

Christian Democratic Chancellor Adenauer has answered that a neutralist policy of this sort dictated to the Germans by the Big Four would be "the suicide of the German nation."

The first West Germans cast their votes for the new Bundestag (Lower House of Parliament) today.

These first voters were persons travelling aboard who were allowed to vote at special polling booths at all major sea ports, air terminals and railway stations.

East Germany Can Help Bonn's Trade—Grotewohl

BERLIN, Sunday (Reuter). — In a speech here today, East German Premier Otto Grotewohl said the East German Democratic Republic could become the doorway for West German trade with Eastern Europe and the Far East if the Western occupation Powers followed the example of the recent Soviet aid to East Germany.

"The Moscow economic conference last year has shown that trade relations are possible between countries ruled by different political systems," he said.

West Germany should accept the advice of Soviet Premier Malenkov "not to follow the path of militarism, which is the path to national suicide," he said.

"The shameful treaties of Bonn and Paris are worse than the shameful Versailles treaty. These treaties bear Adenauer's signature and I am sure the voters in West Germany will consider this when they go to the polls next Sunday."

Italian Troops Move In Trieste 'War of Nerves'

Bebler Charges Annexation Bid

BELGRADE, Sunday. (Reuter). — Yugoslav Deputy Foreign Minister, Alex Bebler, said today in a speech at Idrija, Slovenia, that Italy was trying to include Trieste and part of the Slovene Littoral (coastal area) into its territory.

Unfortunately, it enjoyed in this the support of the Anglo-American authorities in Trieste, he claimed.

Mr. Bebler, whose audience of 5,000 had gathered for the unveiling of a monument to 300 partisans who fell fighting the Italians in the world war, said that Yugoslavia had made several suggestions for solving the Trieste dispute but they had been unheeded by Italy.

Belgrade reports speak of Italian troop movements along the Yugoslav frontier. Italian tanks were said to be moving up to the frontier town of Gorizia.

Blackmail Attempt

Radio Belgrade today charged that Italy's latest actions, referring to troop movements, were a "further attempt at blackmail." It added that Italy had been pursuing this type of policy for years but that "now it has been intensified with a war scare."

Italian spokesmen today complained of the projected gathering of Yugoslav partisans at Akroglica, near Gorizia next Sunday, to be addressed by President Tito.

The right-wing Italian Monarchist Party announced tonight that its most fiery orator, Alfredo Covelle, would address a big rally in Gorizia at the same time as Marshal Tito is due to address his ex-partisans at nearby Akroglica.

Rome Press Asks Stern Attitude

LONDON, Sunday (Reuter).—The Italo-Yugoslav nerve war on the Trieste issue developed today into reports of Italian troop movements on the Yugoslav border, accompanied by press demands for a stern attitude towards Yugoslavia, countered by Yugoslav accusations that Italy was deliberately whipping up "war hysteria" and inventing stories of Yugoslav designs on Trieste.

Yesterday Italy was filled with reports that Yugoslavia was planning to annex Zone B of the international territory of Trieste held by her since the war. Zone A, comprising the city and port of Trieste, is under joint Anglo-American military control.

These reports followed a statement of the semi-official Yugopress news agency claiming that Yugoslavia had "lost patience" with Italy.

Gorizia Patrols

Italian newspapers said that all troops in the eastern frontier region had been confined to barracks. Patrols were being carried out by infantry and carabinieri around Gorizia. Units of the Italian Navy were heading for Trieste from their Adriatic bases in South Italy, it was said.

Yesterday, Italian Premier Guiseppe Pella summoned an emergency meeting with his military chiefs and later informed the British and American Ambassadors of his views on the situation.

Diplomatic quarters here believed today that weekend developments in the Trieste dispute would pass peacefully unless public opinion in either country were inflamed by "incidents."

The Foreign Office was studying reports from the British Ambassadors at Rome and Belgrade.

Diplomatic quarters did not believe Marshal Tito intended any action in Zone B which might prejudice the present situation in Trieste.

In Washington, State Department officials declined to comment on the developments but said it was the Department hope that "cool heads" would prevail.

Officials were following developments with close attention.

U.S. Backs Mrs. Pandit For U.N. Presidency

WASHINGTON, Sunday (Reuter). — The U.S. has decided to vote for Mrs. Lakshmi Pandit as President of the next General Assembly of the U.N., to be held in New York on September 15.

Officials here hoped the move would counter the effects of American opposition to India's membership in the Korean political conference.

America Now Able To Divert Aid to Asia

NEW YORK, Sunday (UP). — West Europe is far enough along the road to recovery to enable the U.S. to give more aid to South Korea, Indo-China and Iran, Foreign Operations Administrator Harold E. Stassen said today.

Mr. Stassen declined to discuss the Iran economic crisis which is so serious that the Shah has pleaded for special emergency funds. President Eisenhower has not yet replied to the request.

Mr. Stassen said the U.S. would give more help to Iran, but he did not elaborate on his statement.

He painted a rosy picture of West Europe's recovery upon his arrival by plane from a three-day conference in Paris with the chiefs of U.S. Foreign Operations Missions.

Reports from every West European capital were very encouraging, he said. West Europe's prospects until June, 1954, are good, he said, and production, employment and the general economic strength are all on the upgrade.

Mr. Stassen said he also discussed with his aides ways and means of increasing private investments abroad by Americans.

Eban Reports to Cabinet

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A two and-a-half-hour report by the Israel Ambassador to the U.N., Mr. Abba Eban, was the main item on the agenda of the weekly Cabinet meeting in Jerusalem yesterday.

Mr. Eban reported on Israel-American relations and reviewed various problems in connection with the forthcoming meeting of the General Assembly.

Mr. Eban will begin consultations with top ranking Foreign Ministry officials today to prepare the material for the Israel delegation to the General Assembly.

The Cabinet appointed two Knesset members, Mr. H. Berger (Mapai) and Mr. J. Klebanoff (General Zionist) as members of the Israel delegation. It has been the custom to appoint Knesset members to the Israel delegation for every General Assembly.

The prolonged dispute about the competence of Ministerial Committees, which had begun a couple of months ago between the Ministry of the Interior and local authorities and which had brought about the threatened resignation of Mr. Rokach, was resolved yesterday.

The Cabinet ruled that any member may bring any question of principle to the Cabinet or to one of the Ministerial Committees, and that their decision will be binding for the future, but not retroactively.

The official communique said: At its weekly meeting the Cabinet heard a report from the Ambassador to the U.S., Mr. Abba Eban, on matters of interest to Israel in the U.S.

The Cabinet approved the Foreign Minister's proposal to invite two Members of the Knesset, Mr. J. Klebanoff and Mr. H. Berger, to serve as members of the Israel delegation at the forthcoming U.N. General Assembly.

MOSSADEGH FOR TRIAL

TEHERAN, Sunday (UP). — A Radio Teheran broadcast heard in London today said that ousted Premier Mossadegh would be tried shortly before a military court on three charges.

Cairo Said Agreeing To U.K. Suez Terms

CAIRO, Sunday (AP). — The Egyptian Revolutionary Council held an emergency meeting into the early hours this morning to make a "crucial decision" on reported British proposals on the future of the Suez Canal zone.

An announcement is expected on Thursday that formal talks will be held in an attempt to reach agreement.

Highly placed sources here say that talks will begin when General Sir Brian Robertson, chief British negotiator, returns here from London on September 18. The General is to leave to report to the Cabinet in London on September 6.

No information is available on the reported latest British terms said to have been accepted here.

Meanwhile, news of the reappearance in London of British aircraftman A.V. Rigden, whom British authorities claimed was kidnapped by Egyptians in Ismailia on July 9, created a sensation here today. Newspapers splashed the news under eight-column headlines.

The Government declined comment but a spokesman for the Ministry of National Guidance stressed that the Government was "following the matter with the greatest attention, as it considers it very important."

An official source claimed that the whole incident had been "staged" by Britain to harm Egypt.

In London, today, the Air Ministry stated that Rigden was under "close arrest" at an RAF station at Dumfries.

The surprise announcement came after a statement from the Ministry that Rigden had turned up in France last Friday.

Egyptians Claim 'Raid' Killed 15 Refugees

CAIRO, Sunday (UP).—Egyptian press reports said today that 15 Palestine Arab refugees were killed and 22 wounded when Israel troops allegedly raided a refugee camp at Burj, in the Egyptian-occupied Gaza area.

The reports said the attack came on Friday. The dead, they said, included seven women and four children.

The Egyptian Government has notified the U.N. Truce Supervision Organization and demanded an urgent meeting of the Israel-Egypt Mixed Armistice Commission, which is due to convene on Monday, the reports said.

Replying to questions from foreign correspondents, the Israel Army spokesman stated yesterday that no unit of the Defence Forces had crossed the lines into the Gaza strip.

Sources close to the Truce Supervision Organization said yesterday afternoon that no formal Egyptian complaint or demand for an emergency MAC meeting had been received.

4 Years for Cutting Wires

RAMLE, Sunday (JTTM). — A 23-year-old infiltrator from Jordan was found guilty of cutting telephone wires and sentenced to four years in prison by a military court here today.

The accused was brought to court under heavy military guard from the Jerusalem prison where he is serving a three-month prison term for theft.

$177m. Investments Approved Since 1948

Foreign investment totalling almost $177m. plus IL.81.4m. locally invested has been approved for 1,466 enterprises from the establishment of Israel uptil July 31, 1953, according to statistics of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry's Investment Centre published in Jerusalem yesterday.

American-Canadian foreign capital accounted for 37% of the total.

At present, of the approved totals, $105m. and IL.40m. have actually been invested.

Since 1951, there has been a steady downward trend in foreign investment, according to the statistics, but last month saw a slight rise. Twelve new enterprises were approved in July, with investments of $1.96m. and IL.1.54m., plus seven recommended enterprises of $378,000.

Horowitz Opposes Raising Volume of Credit

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV, Sunday.—Mr. David Horowitz, Governor-designate of the State Bank, told foreign investors who complained that credits were too scanty or too limited that he was dead set against increasing the volume of credit.

On the contrary, he pointed out that the total volume of credit had increased by IL.26m. in the past six months and he envisaged a dangerous situation which might lead to renewed inflation.

Mr. Horowitz, who was addressing the Foreign Investors' Association tonight, agreed with some industrialists who had argued that export industries required larger credits, but said that they should get it by diverting credits from enterprises which did not contribute to the improvement of the balance of payment.

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Social & Personal

The Acting Prime Minister and Mrs. Sharett; the Mayor of Tel Aviv and Mrs. Levanon; and the Israel Ambassador to Washington were among those who attended the performance given by Inbal, the oriental dance group, at the Ohel Shem Hall on Saturday night.

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The Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs, Mr. Z. Wahrhaftig, will leave tomorrow for a fortnight's vacation.

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Mr. Moshe Levine has been appointed Custodian of Abandoned Property to succeed Mr. Mordecai Schattner, who was recently appointed Director of the Development Authority.

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Mr. Shammai Kahane has been appointed Private Secretary to the Foreign Minister in place of Mr. Uri Lubrani who is going abroad for advanced study.

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Mr. Ze'ev Shek, former First Secretary at the Czech Legation, has been appointed Political Secretary to the Foreign Minister.

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A delegation of six members of the Association for Deaf-Mutes in the U.S. arrived for a short stay by L.A.I. yesterday and were met at Lydda Airport by representatives of the Ministry of Social Welfare and the Israel Organization for Deaf-Mutes.

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The Jerusalem branch of the Pharmaceutical Association of Israel recently elected the following Executive Committee: M. Bruchstein, Chairman; A. Shneider, Vice-Chairman; M. Greenberg, Secretary; R. Ribacoff, Treasurer; and I. Batish, S. Rubinstein and Dr. S. Levi, members.

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Mr. H. Schneider, Manager of the Farmers' Company in Israel Ltd., has left for a short visit to Britain.

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BIRTH

EL-DOR SENIOR—To Ruth (nee Fourier), wife of Boris El-Dor Senior, at the Assuta Hospital Tel Aviv, on August 27, 1953 — a daughter.

The well-known cabaret star, Sonja Wronkow, has returned from the U.S.A. and will appear during the summer months at the Artists' Cellar at Safad Egged Station. (Advt.)

TAX PAMPHLET

An English translation of "Addenda No. 2 to Customs, Excise and Luxury Tax Tariff, including all Amendments for the period January 1, 1952 to April 1, 1953" has been published by the Customs and Excise Branch of the Finance Ministry.

The portion of the pamphlet dealing with sales and luxury taxes is completely new.

The pamphlet, which appeared in Hebrew two months ago, is available for IL.1 at the main customs houses in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Haifa.

Reichman Unveiling

The unveiling of the tombstone of the late Mordecai Reichman, veteran Jewish National Fund worker, will take place at 4.30 this afternoon at the Givat Shaul Cemetery in Jerusalem. A special bus will leave Bet Yahalom at 4 p.m.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

★ **Tour:**
Hebrew University conducted tour: Terra Sancta; Room 13; 9.30 a.m.

★ **Archaeology: —**
Permanent exhibition, Dept. of Antiquities, 35 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech, 9-1, 4-6 p.m.

★ **Exhibitions: —**
Schlomo Van den Berg. Also gallery by Jerusalem Artists: Artists House, 10-1, 4-7 p.m.
Chinese and Japanese Art, Bezalel National Museum: 10 a.m. —1 p.m., 3-6 p.m.

★ **Film Shows: —**
Keren Hayesod: 11.30-12.30.

★ **Concert: —**
Bet Hanoar, Mekor Baruch: Works by Bach, Liszt, Tartini: 8.15 p.m.

★ **Playreading: —**
"Tomorrow the World." USIS Library, Mamilla Rd., 8 p.m.

TEL AVIV

★ **Exhibitions: —**
"Graphic Art in Israel." "Masks of Primitive Nations." "Arts and Crafts of the Far East." American Designs. Museum, 10-1, 4-7.

HAIFA

★ **Concert: —**
Promenade Concert — Hapoel Brass Band — Gan Ha'em — 6.30 p.m.

OPERA

TEL AVIV: HABIMAH
Tuesday, Sept. 1, 8.15 p.m.
Carmen

TEL AVIV: HABIMAH
Tuesday, Sept. 8, 8.15 p.m.
Song of Norway
Operetta in 3 acts (7 scenes) based on the life and music of EDVARD GRIEG
Today Sept. 15.
Owing to repairs and renovations in the 'Habimah' Hall, no performances will take place this week.

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Yesterday's Press

No Basis for Criticism Of So Called 'Asiatic Complex'

A reply to criticisms made a few days ago by "Haboker" (General Zionist) against the Foreign Ministry's "Asiatic Complex" is published in the form of a letter by Mr. M. Leshem, Foreign Ministry Press Officer. The writer says that the allegations that too little has been done to establish closer relations with Indonesia, Japan, the Philippines etc. lack factual basis and replies in detail to the charges made. In its editorial column "Haboker" says that the paper did not wish to imply that Israel should vote against India, but thought it preferable that the Israel representative should abstain — as in fact he did. About the necessity to establish closer relations with India and other Asiatic countries there is no room for any dispute, but the paper believes that this could have been done more satisfactorily had it been kept separate from recent Socialist conferences in Rangoon and Hyderabad.

Between Two Blocs

"Hatzofe" (World Mizrahi Union) believes that Israel's abstention from voting on India's participation was dictated by her position in the struggle between the two great blocs. The paper says that Israel cannot afford to play an active role in international relations under present conditions.

"Herut" comments on American-Israel relations and says that the main reason for their deterioration is that Mapai and the General Zionists do not wish to use the services of Dr. A.H. Silver whose "excellent ties" with the ruling party would, according to "Herut," make all the difference.

Most other papers comment in their leading articles on recent Knesset legislation. "Davar" (Histadrut) says that the Marriage and Divorce Law will (quite rightly) cause much opposition, but it should not be forgotten that this is an appreciation of the *status quo*, rather than definitive legislation, the time for which is not yet ripe. The paper hopes that the Chief Rabbinate, responsible for the implementation of the Law, will take into consideration that many provisions are foreign to the majority of the population and that they will not abide by them. The Rabbinate's task is to preserve the unity of the nation, not to widen the rift.

Radical Chance Put Off

"Ha'aretz" (Independent), too, believes that the Knesset majority was right in rejecting the attempts to carry out radical changes at the moment. It cannot be denied on the other hand that many provisions of the Rabbinical Law are altogether out of date and that they will have to be brought into line with today's realities in the future. This would be most satisfactorily achieved if the Rabbinical Courts themselves modernize the Law. If not, the entire issue will have to be raised again and the future of religion in Israel may well depend upon it.

"Omer" (Histadrut) surveys the activity of the Knesset during the summer session and reaches the conclusion that Parliament has become more efficient in addition to the volume of work done (37 laws were passed). This was demonstrated mainly in the Budget Debate which was subdivided to include various aspects of our economy instead of dealing with the whole field at once as was the practice hitherto.

Japanese Traders Take to Camels

TOKYO, Sunday (Reuter). — Japan's Ministry of International Trade plans to send camel caravans to Africa, the Middle East and Central America to peddle Japanese goods off the beaten track.

According to reports, the plan, yet to be approved by the Foreign Ministry, will cost about 50 million yen (about £50,000).

One caravan would spend 90 days on trek through Pakistan, Afghanistan, Persia, Iraq, Syria and Turkey. Another would make an 120-day journey to South Africa, Angola, the Congo, Nigeria, Gold Coast, Morocco and Libya, while a third would travel for 150 days through the Central American states.

Trade and Government officials would accompany the caravans into remote areas selling textiles, medicines and sundry goods suited to local tastes.

Israel Goods Under Jordan Counters

"What is the Jordan Government doing to put a halt to the flagrant trade in Israel-made textiles now going on in Jordan?" Miss Samira Abu Ghazaleh asked last week in an article in "A-Diffa," Old City daily.

"This illegal trade runs into thousands of pounds monthly, and there is hardly a Palestine Arab cloth merchant who does not have such goods under his counter.

"Usually the trade mark is removed, but in some cases the Shield of David and the manufacturer's name in Hebrew are still clearly visible on the material.

"The economic boycott of Israel is ridiculous because it exists only in our imagination. The fact is that the wealthy are not ashamed to get richer by treason, by trade with the enemy."

AT THE CINEMA

CURZIO Malaparte, the Italian journalist, author and composer, author of "The Skin," has turned to the cinema as a wider means of broadcasting to the masses his theme that "only through sacrifice, only through suffering, freely accepted and borne for the sake of others, can we perhaps find salvation," as he has stated in a footnote to "Il Cristo Prohibito" (Mograbi, Tel Aviv).

To underline the theme, Malaparte has made his sacrifice a poor carpenter, intent on helping others to atone for the suffering and wickedness of others.

This long and involved film, written, directed and produced by Malaparte, who also wrote the incidental music, is relieved only by the excellent photography of Gabor Pogany, who has made full use of the photogenic scenery of the Italian villages and surrounding Negev-like hills. Raf Vallone overplays the part of the returning soldier, and Elena Varzi plays his girl-friend. Alain Cuny has a hard time to make the carpenter convincing. The English and Hebrew sub-titles on the film are better than usual. *H.O.*

Dreiser Classic

THEODORE Dreiser's classic novel "Sister Carrie" (Armon, Haifa) has become William Wyler's "Carrie" (Armon, Haifa). The plot has softened in the process. Carrie's rise to fame has been toned down, but the stark, almost unrealistic morality of the downfall of the restaurant manager who steals for the sake of a girl, a theme similar to that of the Jannings' "Way of All Flesh", forms perfect screen material.

Wyler's film possesses a consistently high level of acting even in the smallest parts; for example, the unforced understanding glance of the cabby who brings the couple to the man's flat. Jennifer Jones, playing Carrie, has a wistful sincerity which suits the film's conception (it does not need the hardboiled development of the novel). Eddie Albert, as Charlie Drouet, the man who originally befriends and seduces Carrie, creates a neat study of what one imagines to be an average "travelling man" in 1900 Chicago — a goodhearted, rough diamond. He is native where Laurence Olivier, in the role of the manager who goes wrong, continually betrays his foreignness to the American scene. Yet his was a first-class performance and one would have been hard put to identify "Henry V" in the bar-worldly, slightly furtive but fundamentally honest George Hirstwood. *H.*

Coronation Films

OF the three Coronation documentaries shown for British citizens and members last week at the Y.M.C.A., the first is a conventional collection of newsreels, featuring the biography of the Queen and notable chiefly for the poignant shots of King George's last days.

"Coronation Ceremony," produced by the Central Office of Information, illustrates in the first half the development of the ceremony from ancient documents, such as the Bayeux Tapestry, medieval miniatures and drawings. The reproduction is perfect and, for a public which has not seen the same pictures in almost every English magazine, this part of the film is extremely interesting.

The second half of "Coronation Ceremony" is devoted to "an artist's impressions of the Coronation." The arrangement takes its cue from the modern French art films, but is somewhat reminiscent of "Laterna Magica," the more so as the drawings are icily academic. Captain Grineau of the "London Illustrated News" would have done better. The film is very educational and might be called: "How to Crown a Queen."

The interest therefore is lessened for the third film, showing the actual ceremony in cinecolor. The colour-photography is not exactly gorgeous and the cutting lacks dramatic appeal. Having seen two authentic versions of the Coronation, one after the other, I noted the remarkable fact that almost everybody important in Great Britain's public life is bald or about to be bald (with the flamboyant exception of Mr. Anthony Eden). Moreover my impression, gathered from the first Coronation newsreel, that among the Coronation plate a number of fine beer mugs are prominently displayed was confirmed. Even if they are not actually used in the ceremony, they are good to look at.

This colour film cannot be identical with the full-length coronation film we read about. We still hope to see this final film version of the great event. We have not yet seen the Coronation Film which we expect from the country of Arthur Rank and Sir Alexander Korda. *Th. F.M.*

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 467 M.; HAIFA: 240 M.; TEL AVIV: 31.5, 41.9 & 322 M.

FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30, 6.15 & 10.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m., 2.15 & 6.15 p.m. Turkish: 11.30 a.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercise. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 8.30 Close Down.

12.00 N. "Music at Noon" (R). 12.30 Concert Hall: Suite "Pulcinella" (Stravinsky); Piano Concerto (Toch); "Jack in the Box" (Satie-Milhaud). 1.45 "The Voice of the Violin" (R). 3.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Siesta (R). 4.30 Musical Miniatures (R). 5.00 Piano Recital: Rana Ghelman. 5.30 Child's Corner. 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 At the Opera (R). 7.45 Talk. 8.00 Programme by Haifa Municipality. 8.24 Bible Reading. 8.45 "Answer to Citizen." 9.00 "Curtain Up." 9.45 Collegium Musicum: Josepha Schocken, Max Lampel, Asher Feldman, Jehuda Cohn, Dr. Mark Roselaar & Arieh Sachs. 10.30 "On a Lonely Island" (R). 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

460, 229, 216, 41.9 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m., 10.15 p.m. 4.00 p.m. Music (R). 4.30 Messages to Immigrants. 5.00 Programme for Yemenites. 5.20 Literature Corner. 5.30 Ballet Music (R). 6.15 Close Down.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR (31.5, 34.9 & 462 M.): French: 6.30 p.m. Ladino: 7.00 p.m. Yiddish: 7.30 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (31.5 M.): 11.15-12 Midnight: Newsreel; The Economic Front; "Learn a Song."

ARMY PROGRAMME: (44.6, 216, 225 & 229 M.): 4.30 Opening. 6.35 Piano Recital. 7.35 "The Soldier as a Civilian." 8.00 Evening Tunes. 8.30 News. 8.45 Concert. 10.00 Close Down.

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Oil Revenues Save Middle East Nations, Bank Report Shows

By a Special Correspondent

In his survey on economic conditions in the Middle East (except Israel), the chairman of the British Bank of the Middle East, Mr. R. V. Buxton, when making the usual statement to his shareholders at the annual general meeting, (as reported in the "Financial Times" of London recently), pointed to the difficult trading conditions of the last year. Markets in most commodities, he said, were falling and had the Middle East as a whole not been in receipt of increasing revenues from oil to offset the fall in prices of most agricultural products, the result might have been less satisfactory.

The Bank's business in Iran has come to a complete standstill after well over 60 years; all bank properties have been sold.

Iraq, the statement goes on, is making basic progress in accordance with the plans of the Development Board. Work has begun on roads, barrages and bridges. The new 30-inch pipeline to Banias in Syria helped to pour the higher oil production (mainly in the new Southern field) into tankers. Crops last year were on the average, but no wheat was available for export.

Increase in Revenue

The country looks forward to a progressive increase of revenue from the development of her oil resources. The same is said from Kuwait, where oil production has been advanced to such a degree that the lost Iranian oil has been almost replaced. Last March the American Independent Oil Co. struck oil in the neutral zone adjoining Kuwait.

Modern dual carriage-way roads, construction of hospitals, colleges, secondary, elementary and nursery schools are part of the Development Programme of her ruler, Sheikh Sir Abdullah a-Salim a-Sabah. A large water distillation plant has done away with the lack of fresh water.

After an early period of drought in Jordan this winter, Mr. Buxton continued, the later rainfall has been sufficient to indicate good prospects for this year's cereal crops. The country lacks irrigation development and much hope is placed in the project of damming the Yarmuk river and irrigating the Jordan valley. Jordan bears a heavy burden in having within its borders over 500,000 refugees, a large number of whom will be settled in the area to be irrigated with UNRWA assistance.

Jordan's 5-Year Plan

A Development Board has been formed by the Jordan Government to institute a five-year plan for agricultural and industrial development of the country.

Lebanese industries and commodity markets have suffered from foreign competition by reason of increased supplies becoming available at cheap rates. Hydro-electric projects are under construction and further surveys are being made with the object of harnessing the water resources of the country to provide electric power and irrigation schemes. Tourists from other Arab countries are flocking to the mountain towns and villages.

Mr. Buxton concludes the Lebanese chapter by expressing the hope that the present political activity among the Arab States will not take a form which would tend to deter foreign investment in the area.

The production of grain and cotton crops in Syria is susceptible of considerable increase in the future through drainage and irrigation projects. Syria will have her own harbour facilities on the Mediterranean coast at Latakia, where port construction work is carried out by a Yugoslav firm.

Oil royalties are also helping Saudi Arabia, where modern roads and railways are opening up unknown territories. With the completion of the Riad-Damman railway link, Damman will become the country's modern seaport. Modern buildings are going up in Jeddah.

ANIMAL LIMBS RESTORED AFTER AMPUTATION

LONDON, Sunday (UP). — Russian surgeons have devised a way to amputate animal limbs and then sew them back on again as good as new, Moscow Radio reported yesterday.

A broadcast monitored here told of an experiment in which a dog's leg was amputated. It said that less than an hour later, the leg was put back on, with the bones joined by a metal plate, and the nerves, large blood vessels, muscles and skin sewn together.

The report said the dog was "fully restored" to health five or six months later.

The surgeons who discovered the process are Professor Pavel Mazayev and University Reader, Pavel Chekhov.

Dr. Chekhov predicted, the broadcast said, that the process can be used to restore removed or diseased organs in human beings. He said he was now experimenting on ways to graft organs of one animal to another.

CORRECTION

In recently reported hockey results in games against the visiting Indian cavalry team from "Tir", Brith Maccabim Atid held the Indians to a 0-0 draw, and subsequently the Haifa Bat Galim team also drew with the visitors, 2-2. A correspondent states that the B.M.A. vs. "Tir" match was "a hockey game of international standard."

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Beersheba	45	16	32	78
Eilat	31	26	39	40

*A) Humidity at 3 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday D) Maximum temp. expected today

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TODAY is the last day to submit income tax declarations for the 1952/53 fiscal year. Declarations should be accompanied by payment.

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50,000 TONS of wheat are due in Israel from the U.S. in five ships during the next three weeks.

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120 FRENCH tourists crossed into Israel at Mandelbaum Gate yesterday.

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THE TEL AVIV District Health Office will be closed to the public today while the office is moved to 14 Rehov Gimel, Hakirya. Emergency applications will be handled at the Government Clinic, 26 Rehov Mohiliver.

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THE DETENTION of Ferdinand Klein and Alexander Gross, who are suspected of being members of a ring that distributed counterfeit dollar bills was yesterday extended for another four days by a Jerusalem Magistrate.

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POLICE action against street hawkers continued yesterday in Jerusalem. Fourteen peddlers were arrested and later released on bond of IL.40 each. Twenty-five others were given warnings.

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REGISTRATION for courses in machine shop, engraving, electricity, general clerking and accountancy, under the auspices of the Vocational Training Department of the Ministry of Labour, is now being held at the Petah Tikva Labour Exchange.

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TODAY and tomorrow all dogs found in the Katamon quarter of Jerusalem without a licence are liable to be destroyed by Municipal dog-catchers, the Municipal Veterinary Service announces.

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AN AUTOMATIC telephone exchange is scheduled to be opened today at Migdal Ascalon and is to serve 100 subscribers.

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THE KASHRUT SUPERVISION Department of the Chief Rabbinate announces that the following restaurants are no longer under its inspection: Dan, 19 Rehov Ben Yehuda, Tel Aviv; Kronmehl, 27 Rehov Aliya, Tel Aviv; Ora, Rehov Herzl, Natanya.

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VALUABLES AND CASH were stolen from Mr. A. Carasso's flat at 101 Sderot Rothshild, Tel Aviv, when thieves forced their way in through the back door during the owner's absence on Saturday night.

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ALL CHILDREN due to enter elementary school for the first time in Tel Aviv must undergo a physical check-up from September 1 to 16 at specially organized centres which will be open between 9-11.30 a.m. and from 3-4.30 p.m.

Ben Gurion Essay Opens Year Book

An essay by the Prime Minister, "Israel Eternal," is the foreword of the new Government Year Book just published.

The Year Book includes detailed information of Knesset members and committees, laws passed, Israel missions abroad, foreign missions in Israel, international conventions and agreements to which Israel is a party, trade agreements, lists of judges and high Army officials, heads of the Zionist Organization and the Jewish Agency, members of the Chief Rabbinate, heads of the Religious Communities in Israel, and a selected list of the officials of the Government Departments.

In addition it contains new surveys of agricultural colonization, economic development and scientific achievements and a comprehensive bibliography of Hebrew books published in the year now ending.

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Tel Aviv's IL. 20m. Budget Attacked

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The IL.19,180,000 expenditure budget proposed by Mayor H. Levanon's administration for the 1953-54 financial year was attacked by representatives of the Religious parties and Mapam in the debate on the estimates resumed in the Council here this afternoon.

Mr. A. Boyar, speaking for Hapoel Hamizrahi, charged the Administration with having failed to tackle the problem of an inflated and ill-organized staff of which at least 20% could be dispensed with. This was especially unfortunate as the Social Welfare and Education estimates, as well as the allocation for the building of synagogues, were inadequate. At the same time, Mr. Boyar did not think the surplus personnel would have to be put out into the street. In a properly reorganized city administration useful work could be found for them.

He then passed on to the question of the Sabbath. Mr. Boyar complained that the bus cooperatives continued to violate the regulations, that there were insufficient inspectors in Jaffa, that the Tel Aviv Zoo and the Museum sold tickets on Saturdays. All in all, this was a budget which showed that the situation ruled the administration, and not the other way about.

Sabbath Violation

Rabbi Y.M. Abramowitz, (Agudat Yisrael) had much the same sort of complaints to make about Sabbath violation. He was especially bitter about the city's readiness to allocate land for the Chamber Theatre or B'nai Brith, while synagogues were not being built for lack of land. Surely synagogues should not be subject to political bargaining, Rabbi Abramowitz protested. "Then don't incite people politically in the synagogues," a Labour councillor retorted.

Mr. I. Chlodnevitz (Mapam) called the budget reactionary and oppressive. Instead of raising the business tax to the level maintained in other cities, the Municipality intended to cover its expenses by firing employees. At the same time the essential services of health and education were very seriously neglected. For example, school children were herded into hutted classrooms, when for very little more money proper buildings with decent ventilation could have been constructed.

City hospitals were understaffed, Mr. Chlodnevitz went on. The city refuse was burnt near population centres where residents suffered from the noxious fumes. The Bet Ha'am was allowed to open, though it was a "nest of epidemics."

Contractor Threatens Court Action

Jerusalem Post Reporter

"Failing arbitration, we shall take this to court," said Mr. S. Diskin, Jerusalem contractor, concerning differences between himself, the Municipality and the Veterans' Association, at a press conference yesterday.

In question is IL.200,000, which Mr. Diskin claims he is entitled to, in accordance with a contract with the Municipality. The sum represents price increases since construction was begun on veterans' housing schemes in Mekor Baruch and Talbieh, Jerusalem.

The main bone of contention is the price of the houses. Originally, (in June 1951), the contract stipulated an average of IL.3,450 for a 2½ room apartment and IL.4,300 for 3½ rooms. Since then the contractor who was awarded the contract after bidding by public tender, claims that labour costs (over half of the expenses) have risen by an average of 60%, imported materials by an average of 200% and local materials by 100%, (price increases are provided for in the contract).

He consequently demanded from the City Engineer, who was stipulated in the contract as arbitrator, an average sum of IL.6,500 for the smaller units and IL.8,000 for the larger ones, totalling approximately an increase of IL.200,000 for the 137 units.

Mr. Diskin charged the Veterans' Association with bad faith in having stopped payment on an IL.40,000 cheque after getting possession of the houses. He claimed that the veterans wished to buy the houses cheaply in order to rent or sell them at considerable profit.

GROUND NUT HARVEST IN FORTNIGHT

BEERSHEBA, Sunday. — Over 2,000 dunams of ground nuts (peanuts) which were planted in May by the Mif'al Hanegev in the vicinity of Faluja will be harvested within two weeks — just in time for the High Holidays. This is the first time such a large quantity of ground nuts have been planted in the Negev and the Mif'al Hanegev is still in the dark as to the number of kilos a dunam the crop will yield.

Altogether, some 30,000 dunams have been planted throughout the country. The nuts will be sold to the public as well as to factories for the production of oil and margarine. Ground nuts contain 38% oil.

The official price a ton has been set at IL.450, while the free market price is IL.530. Last year, the price on the black market reached IL.1,300 a ton.

POWER SHARES JUMP 50 POINTS

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The main feature of yesterday's stock market in Tel Aviv was the 50-point rise of Palestine Electric Corp. Ltd. ordinary shares which are on the London register. A small demand of between IL.3,000-IL.4,000 could not be met, but with a price of 320 as against 270 (buyers only) on Friday.

It is rumoured that the buying-up of shares by an interested group has now come to an end, particularly after a certain offer was made to the Company by the Treasury. The heavy buying and the rise of the quotations will bring down the number of shares the Government will receive for its allocation of funds from the Development Budget after the latest rise.

Exporters Bewail Red Tape

HAIFA, Sunday. — The red tape that enmeshes export trade, and way, and means to cut it, ve the subject of a meeting between manufacturers and the Northern director o the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Dr. J. Salpeter, here this afternoon.

Exporters in the area are pressing for the appointment of a resident licensing officer with more authority than that of a registration clerk, to save them frequent and enervating trips to Jerusalem.

They cited instances of administrative delays — one of them relating to the necessity of Ministry of Finance countersignature on import licences which the Ministry of Commerce i...ues for raw materials needed by exporters.

To obviate delays resulting from the transfer of the documents to the Finance Ministry, it has been arranged that one of its officials should come to the Ministry of Commerce twice a week to sign the documents.

In another instance a Haifa manufacturer went to Jerusalem and succeeded in having his licence processed up to registration stage in one day. As it was by then 4 p.m., he was promised it would be mailed to him after registration the next day. He has since been waiting a fortnight for the licence, for which he first applied in July.

American-Canadian Assn. Starts Year's Activities

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The American-Canadian Association in Jerusalem on Saturday night began its activities for the coming year with a lecture on Israel's theatre. Mr. S. Olsvanger, producer-director of Jerusalem's amateur drama group "Massach," spoke on Israel theatre and audiences.

Prior to the talk, the former North Americans heard their President, "Red" Weiner, describe the purpose of the group (better known perhaps as Hitachdut Olei America). He said integration of American newcomers was the organization's prime responsibility.

To carry this through, the 200-strong Jerusalem branch is planning to conduct small discussion and cultural groups on subjects ranging from handicrafts to contemporary Hebrew literature. Social gatherings with other immigrant groups were also planned, Mr. Weiner said.

13th TRIP

HAIFA, Sunday.—Now on her 13th trip to Haifa, the m.s. Rimon has been bogged down by bad luck.

Because of engine trouble she was delayed in London for three days. She had hardly sailed out of Lisbon, when her diesel engine broke down and she limped back into port on an auxiliary engine. Repairs there cost another three days.

The Rimon, on her way to Haifa, with the fourth shipment of Reparations goods and other cargo, is due here at the end of the week.

Sees Future For Israel Tourism

With increased consciousness of tourism by the public, Israel's tourist trade should assume its proper position, Dr. Eric Mann, tourist expert and lecturer, said in Jerusalem yesterday.

Dr. Mann, Lecturer on Travel at New York University, and Director of the Institute for Intercontinental Studies of New York, spent 12 days studying tourism here as guest of the Government Tourist Centre of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

He stressed that although Israel has many first-class hotels, the management could introduce improvements. In addition, many hotels and restaurants could improve food preparation, cleanliness and employee attitudes.

He praised tourist publications and while recognizing budgetary problems urged that more publications along this line be prepared.

In general, Dr. Mann said he was deeply impressed by Israel, especially its "doing the 'impossible'." He described his visit to Eilat as the high-point of his trip.

75 Students from U.S. Due Soon on Study Tour

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK. — Seventy-five young men and women are due to arrive in Israel early in September to spend either six months or a year studying the country. They are travelling to Israel under the auspices of the World Zionist Organization.

They include 30 American student-teachers who will participate in a six-month seminar in Israel, 25 Jewish youth leaders who will study Hebrew, Jewish history and other subjects for a year, and 20 young professionals who have enrolled in Ulpanim. Several of the latter plan to take temporary jobs or to settle in Israel on completion of their courses.

The student teachers, members of the graduating classes of the five leading Hebrew teacher training colleges in America, were chosen on the basis of their scholastic records, and they will receive credits for their Israel spell.

Instructors, Leaders

The youth leaders, due to spend a year in Israel, will—on their return to America—rejoin their various groups as instructors and cultural leaders. Their curriculum includes Hebrew, ancient and modern Jewish history, the geography, history and current affairs of Israel, economics, sociology and literature, in addition to Israel folk music. Part of the year will be spent in practical work at settlements.

Those taking part in the Ulpan courses include teachers, social workers, a mental hygienist, a mechanic, a nurse, a musician, a couple who produce a radio programme, and members of several other professions.

Travel arrangements and other assistance were rendered by the World Zionist Organization's Aliyah Department, and by the office of P.A.T.W.A. in New York. Several members of this group will attend Ulpanim at various agricultural settlements where they will work part time to meet their expenses.

'MISS M.D.A.' RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT

Mrs. Suzy Winton, "Miss M.D.A. of Australia," brought the President the greetings of Australian Jewry when she called on him in Jerusalem yesterday.

She also saw the Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. I. Kariv, who presented her with a Jerusalem pin made of silver.

Mrs. Winton, who is active in Australian Jewish communal life, is visiting the country as the guest of Magen David Adom. *(Itim.)*

CONSULTATIONS. — Mr. James Dunn, U.S. Ambassador to Spain, left Madrid by air for Washington on Saturday for consultations on America-Spanish defence talks.

ZOA Chief Reaffirms Vitality of Zionism

NEW YORK, Sunday (INA). — Rabbi Irving Miller, newly re-elected President of the Zionist Organization of America, in a closing declaration at the final session of the Organization's 56th Annual Convention tonight, reaffirmed the abiding vitality of Zionist ideals as "a most potent force" in American Jewry "and rejected the notion that the establishment of Israel implied spiritual and cultural disintegration of American Jewry."

He also made public a call to American Jewry "to identify themselves with the programme and activities of the Z.O.A. on behalf of Jewish survival and security" issued by more than 500 rabbis of Orthodox, Conservatives and Reform groups in the U.S.

Building of an agricultural trade school in honour of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, to be known as Kfar Silver, will be one of the major projects to be financed by the Z.O.A., it was announced by Dr. Sidney Marks, National Secretary, in his annual report to Convention.

Histadrut Sticks To Free Trade Unions

TEL AVIV, Sunday.—The invitation of the World Federation of Trade Unions to the Histadrut to join in its Council meeting planned for October in Vienna, was rejected by the Histadrut Central Committee today.

The decision was based on the fact that the Histadrut is now a member of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions and must restrict its activities to this framework. On the other hand, this need not prevent contact of an informative nature with workers' organizations that did not belong to ICFTU, it was affirmed.

Jordan Regency Council

On the eve of his departure this morning for medical treatment in London, King Hussein yesterday appointed a regency council consisting of Ibrahim Hashem, a Senator; Suleiman Toukan, a former Minister, and Abdul Hamud Nimer, Parliament Speaker, ANA reports.

The Council will enjoy full royal prerogatives with the exception of dismissing or accepting the resignations of the Premier and Cabinet Ministers.

Hussein is leaving with Queen Mother Zein for Istanbul to visit his father Talal. The Queen will proceed for medical treatment in Switzerland while Hussein will have a sinus operation in London.

U.S. Swelters Under Record Heat Wave

CHICAGO, Sunday (UP). — A week-long heat wave made this one of the hottest summers on record in many areas and indirectly caused an estimated 55 deaths in Philadelphia alone.

A drought threat arose in the nation's scorched corn belt, but South Texas was hit by floods which made about 1,000 persons homeless.

Chicago had its 32nd day this year of 33° weather. Meteorologists said it was one of the hottest summers in the city's history.

In teeming New York yesterday, the temperature rose to 95.1°, the hottest August 29 on record.

105 FOREST FIRES FOUGHT IN CANADA

TORONTO, Sunday (Reuter). — Hundreds of firefighters in planes and on bulldozers fought 105 fires in northern Ontario's tinder dry forests today.

Three persons have been killed in the fight against 17 fires raging out of control. Many other fires were in danger of getting out of hand.

Two tourist camps near North Bay were reported last night to be in the path of one fire which was three kilometres long and two kilometres wide.

Greek Islanders Protest Return After Storm

ATHENS, Sunday (Reuter). — Two thousand earthquake victims of the Ionian Islands, frightened by reports of the furious storm which ravaged the island of Kephallonia anew last night, staged a hunger strike today to protest against the Government's decision to send them back there.

Storf-blasted Kephallonia, devastated by earthquakes two weeks ago, was yesterday also shaken by one medium and two minor earthquakes.

Huts and tents housing refugees in Argostolion were swept away by the storm. The terrified inhabitants huddled under trees for shelter after their temporary homes were flattened by the storm.

Relief supplies sent to the Island and piled up on the beaches were destroyed by the lashing winds and rains.

MERCY MISSION.—Two Austrian doctors flew on Saturday to the tiny Emirate of Qualiti, in southern Arabia, to attend Crown Prince Sultan Award who is seriously ill with diabetes.

No Hope for Pauker, Bucharest Radio Says

VIENNA, Sunday (UP). — Bucharest Radio today mentioned the name of former Rumanian Foreign Minister, Anna Pauker, for the first time for many months and indicated that the "First Lady of Communism" would not be "rehabilitated."

The broadcast, quoting an editorial in today's Rumanian Communist organ "Scanteia," said that Mrs. Pauker, former Interior Minister Leonari Georgescu and former Finance Minister Vasilly Luca were "exponents of deviation from the Party line and of subversive work undermining the interests of the construction of Socialism in Rumania."

All three were purged from Government and Party posts last year. Georgescu and Luca disappeared last autumn.

Mrs. Pauker had been continually attacked until early this year but has not been heard of since then. Last month, Foreign Minister Grigore Preoteasa dismissed as "fantastic" reports that she had been arrested. She was living in Bucharest, he maintained.

P.M. Praises Role Of Givati Brigade

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV, Sunday.—The Prime Minister, Mr. David Ben Gurion; the acting Minister of Defence, Mr. P. Lavon; and the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Mordecai Makleff took the parade of Givati Brigade in Hulda Wood on the occasion of the unit's rally today, in which members of active service and many former members of the brigade took part. All former commanders of the brigade, including the first one, Sgan-Aluf Shimon Avidan, were present.

The Prime Minister unveiled the plaques commemorating the actions of the brigade during the War of Independence which were attached to the unit's standards. The Battle of Tel Aviv, Operation Nachshon, which opened the road to Jerusalem, and the opening of the road to the Negev are among the operations mentioned.

"No other brigade in the Israel Defence Forces can boast of so many achievements", Mr. Ben Gurion told the soldiers.

Cables in Brief

GALLANTRY.—U.S. Vice Consul David Lebreton was drowned in Tunis yesterday while attempting to save the two children of U.S. Consul Morris Nelson Hughes. The children reached shore safely.

AFRICA. — Delegates from Britain, France, Belgium and Portugal have decided at an international conference in Dar Es Salaam to recommend specialized juvenile courts and British-type institutions for juvenile offenders in the Southern African colonies.

ICELAND.—The Icelandic Government has decided to be represented in Moscow by a Minister, following the signing of a mutual trade pact on August 12. A Russian Minister with a large staff has been stationed in Reykjavik since 1949.

YUGOSLAVIA. — General elections are expected to be held in Yugoslavia in the first fortnight of November this year.

LOCUSTS.—The British Colonial Office has stressed the need for international action against a desert locust plague which is reaching "alarming proportions" in view of very heavy and widespread locust breeding in Ethiopia and Southwest Arabia.

SUDAN. — The international Sudan election commission which is preparing for the election of the first all-Sudanese Parliament, met in Khartoum on Thursday after a two month recess. Observers think elections cannot be held before mid-November.

ACCUSATION. — General Phao Sriyamon, Thailand's Chief of Police, recently accused the 11 persons arrested last weekend as suspected Communists of planning to employ foreign forces to occupy the country and to stage a comeback for former Premier Pridi Panomyong.

TITO RECEIVES EGYPTIAN MILITARY MISSION

LONDON, Sunday (AP). — Marshal Tito today received leaders of the Egyptian Military Mission to Yugoslavia on the island of Brioni, Radio Belgrade announced.

The Yugoslav President later gave a dinner in honour of the visitors which was attended by Egyptian Minister H. Mansour and high ranking Yugoslav military leaders.

The Egyptian Mission is headed by Rear Admiral Soliman.

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ATOMIC ENERGY COMMITTEE

DR. AVRAHAM PAIS
(Institute of Advanced Studies, Princeton)
will lecture on Tuesday, Sept. 1 at 10 a.m.
on the subject
"Recent Advances in the Study of Fundamental Particles"
The lecture will be held at the Physics Department of the Hebrew University, (Schneller), Rehov Geula, First Entrance, Jerusalem.

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Personal Notices

THE NUMISMATIC SOCIETY OF ISRAEL
deeply regrets to announce the death
of its President
PROF. ABRAHAM REIFENBERG

On the First Anniversary
of the death of our beloved parents
Kaethe Weigert & Dr. Walter (Eliezer) Weigert
THE FAMILY WILL VISIT THE GRAVE
at Kibbutz Dalia cemetery, on Friday,
September 4, at 4 p.m.
A special bus will leave at 2 p.m. from Haifa (corner Rehov Nordau-Arlosoroff, next to Gan Benyamin).

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MERCHANTS' AND MANUFACTURERS' INSURANCE CO. LTD.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1952

1951			1951		
	Authorised Capital:		£ 23,385	Mortgages on Property	£ 25,478
£101,000	101,000 Ordinary Shares of £1 each	£101,000		Investments:	
100,000	100,000 5% Cumulative Preference Shares of £1 each	100,000	184,051	British Government Securities	202,809
			312,613	Other Securities	284,876
£201,000		£201,000	£500,049		£512,960
	Issued Capital:			Leasehold Office Property at cost	
£100,400	100,400 Ordinary Shares of £1 each	£100,400	18,500	less amounts written off	17,750
50,000	50,000 5% Cumulative Preference Shares of £1 each	50,000	77,592	Shares in Subsidiary Company at cost	77,592
			38,750	Loan to Subsidiary Company	37,000
£150,400		£150,400	72,879	Amounts due by other Companies and Brokers	91,021
100,450	General Reserve Fund	150,400	9,149	Reserves held by ceding Companies	8,154
75,492	Profit and Loss Account	62,691	1,807	Sundry Balances	3,677
222,228	Insurance Funds	251,552	189,104	Cash in Hand at Bank and on Deposit	182,108
227,341	Claims admitted or intimated but not paid	239,311			
31,465	Amounts due to other Companies and Brokers	82,742			
94,131	Sundry Creditors, Provision for Taxation and Reserve for Contingencies	84,830			
6,325	Proposed Dividend on Ordinary Shares (less Income Tax)	7,906			
£907,830		£1,010,262	£907,830		£1,010,262

EDGAR WHEELER, CHAIRMAN — I. COHN, JOSEPH H. G. REED, DIRECTORS — C. H. TAPLEY, MANAGER

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

We have audited the above Balance Sheet and annexed Profit and Loss Account and have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for that purpose.

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given us the said Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account, which are in agreement with the books of account and with returns received from Foreign Agencies not visited by us, give a true and fair view, in the case of the Balance Sheet of the state of the Company's affairs as at December 31, 1952, and in the case of the Profit and Loss Account, of the profits for the year to that date.

11, Ironmonger Lane, London, E.C.2.
July 28, 1953.

PEAT MARWICK MITCHELL & CO.
Chartered Accountants.
Auditors.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1952.

1951			1951		
£ 1,500	Directors' Fees	£ 2,100	£ 23,912	Interest and Dividends	£ 28,630
31,000	Provision for Taxation	18,500		Profit transferred from Fire Accident and Miscellaneous	
—	Transfer to General Reserve Fund	49,950	26,979	Insurance Accounts	60,338
20,000	Transfer to Reserve for Contingencies	20,000	74,739	Balance brought forward	75,492
1,313	Dividend on 5% Cumulative Preference Shares for the year ended 15th November, 1952 (less Income Tax)	1,313			
6,325	Proposed Dividend on Ordinary Shares for year ended 31st December, 1952 (less Income Tax)	7,906			
75,492	Balance carried forward	62,691			
£135,630		£162,460	£135,630		£162,460

ISRAEL PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1951.
(To the nearest Pound)

1949/50 IL.		IL.	1949/50 IL.		IL.
—	Loss transferred from Fire, Accident and Miscellaneous Insurance Accounts	5,571	—	Interest	189
3,971	Head Office Expenses	2,690	2,817	Profit transferred from Fire, Accident and Miscellaneous Insurance Accounts	—
			1,154	Loss of Israel Branch	8,082
3,971		8,261	3,971		8,261

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I herewith certify that the above ISRAEL PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the year ended 30th September, 1951 is in accordance with the Premiums and Claims Registers and with the returns rendered to the Company's Head Office.

Haifa.
August 12, 1953.

HANAN S. KATS
CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANT
AUDITOR

ISRAEL PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1952.
(To the nearest Pound)

1950/51 IL.		IL.	1950/51 IL.		IL.
	Loss transferred from Fire, Accident and Miscellaneous Insurance Accounts	—	189	Interest	189
5,571	Head Office Expenses	6,946		Profit transferred from Fire, Accident and Miscellaneous Insurance Accounts	43,885
2,690	Profit of Israel Branch	34,989	—	Loss of Israel Branch	—
—			8,082		—
8,261		41,935	8,261		43,885

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THE murder in cold blood of five young Israel citizens who entered Jordanian territory has aroused grief and horror throughout the nation. From the latest facts which are beginning to emerge it appears that the young people were last seen at Ein Hutzuv on Thursday. It seems that the leader of the ill-fated group approached the authorities there and asked for transport further south. This was refused and a clear and explicit warning was issued on the dangers of penetrating at random into the Araba. It has also been variously reported that the group was, in fact, told that they would be arrested if they did not abandon their project. Information on their journey was sent out with orders to restrain them but they seem to have penetrated south despite these efforts.

COLD-BLOODED MURDER

The first reports put out by the Arab News Agency tried to suggest that the five young people described as "soldiers" were encountered at least twenty kilometres inside Arab territory; that they were a detachment of the Israel armed forces and that they were all killed after an exchange of shots with members of the Arab Legion. An examination of the bodies yesterday revealed that they had been murdered in cold blood. It has to be pointed out that the bodies have now been identified as being those of two members of Moshav Kfar Yehoshua in the Emek, a member of Sdeh Boker in the South and two students from Haifa. Two of the victims were girls.

It is significant, too, that in spite of the fact that Radio Ramallah had previously broadcast a version of the incident, the Jordan military censor at the last moment prohibited publication of the report. Does this indicate that Jordan had good grounds for supposing that an MAC investigation was bound to reveal serious discrepancies in the original Jordan communique? Be that as it may the murders are an additional pointer to the state of dangerous tension on the borders of Israel and Jordan. The boundaries in the southern Negev are difficult to define and there is a constant danger of unpremeditated crossings taking place. There have been some instances of such infiltrators being returned under existing agreements but the general Jordan rule seems to be to shoot to kill first and ask questions afterwards. Thus the Arab Radio reporting on the incident last night alleged that the Mixed Armistice Commission had already elicited the fact that the five "infiltrators" were called upon to stop but refused, upon which the Arab Legion opened fire. The five young people are dead and the only evidence to support this ex parte statement is that of the murderers themselves. Such a state of affairs cannot be allowed to continue; the armistice is rapidly degenerating in to a state of guerrilla border warfare. Unless the present ineffective armistice machinery is reviewed to bring about a speedy improvement in the situation it can very rapidly deteriorate into a real conflagration.

It has also to be noted that while the authorities on the spot seem to have acted with some vigour in order to prevent the fatal expedition in question, more decisive measures might have been taken to prohibit an irresponsible journey which from the start was fraught with a danger of certain death. Equally as there is a duty upon the Israel authorities to curb infiltration from Jordan they also have to take the responsibility of preventing, by the full application of reasonable force, any light-hearted meanderings on the part of Israel civilians also — in this case the party had the extraordinary idea of visiting Petra! There is far too much explosive material along the borders for any complacency, let alone casualness.

Five young lives have been needlessly thrown away. That the victims themselves contributed in some degree to the tragedy only increases the feeling of grief in the whole Yishuv. It does not in any way reduce the guilt of the trigger-happy Jordanian butchers and it emphasizes the imperative necessity of the greatest vigilance to prevent a recurrence of similar [illegible]

FIRST CONFERENCE OF ARAB ARMY CHIEFS OF STAFF

Chiefs of Staff from the Arab League member states at the Cairo conference at which consideration is being given to initial steps for imparting practical form to the military provisions of the Arab Collective Security pact which broadly provides for Arab states military cooperation in the event of an attack against any Arab country. Military delegations from Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, Iraq, Jordan, Yemen, and Saudi Arabia attended. Libya, who has not signed the pact, was not represented. Express Photo

Anti-Zionism As a Force

By BERTRAM H. APPLEBY

THE American Council For Judaism has a twofold programme, to uphold the teachings of Judaism, and to persuade American Jews to sever all connections wtih Israel. To accomplish these purposes, they have embarked on an ambitious enterprise which started when a member claimed that she could not find for her children a religious school which would be both Jewish and non-Zionist.

To meet this demand, the Council has set up branches of the School For Judaism in Milwaukee, Chicago, and in Westchester County, and here almost 200 children are being trained in the principles of the creed. Since two-thirds of the textbooks studied were declared unsuitable because of pro-Zionist passages, the Council, under the vigorous leadership of Rabbi Elmer Berger, has prepared a series of books which instruct pupils of all ages.

Modern Methods

Enter the elementary grades of these schools, and one finds beautiful classrooms, where, according to advanced methods of teaching, children work in supervised groups at projects that make vivid the ever-appealing tales of ancient Jewish history. One group will be working at a poster of Joseph and his brothers; another will be acting out scenes from the life of Moses. Their curriculum has been carefully planned by professional teachers so that the child's contacts with his religion will be inspiring and beautiful. Pupils are encouraged to compose their own prayers. The programme is in English but does include the elements of Hebrew in order to read the prayers. Modern Hebrew is banned as is Israel culture.

The curriculum emphasizes the biographies of great men among the "ancient Hebrews." Then, at about the age of 12 pupils study the Prophets. During this time, teachers show Judaism in complete harmony with its American background. Nationality and religion are distinct, and it is emphasized that Jews are individuals with every variety of opinion among them. Therefore, they consider wrong such expressions as the "Jewish people," community" and especially "nation."

Programme

The course encourages meetings with other groups in order to find a common ground where Jews and Christians meet. Pupils visit churches; in turn, church members visit Reform synagogues. Frequently one finds in the buildings statues of great Americans from Washington to Franklin D. Roosevelt.

During adolescence, the child is considered mature enough to study three controversial issues:

● *Jesus.* Generally the Jewish attitude has been to accept Jesus as a man of high ethical character; but the ghastly treatment of Jewish minorities by the peoples who worship him as God has created a gulf between Jew and Gentile which is literally unbridgeable. This the American Council For Judaism denies, so that after studying the Prophets, pupils learn about Jesus as one in the great prophetic tradition of Judaism. In this respect, the Council's teaching resembles the Unitarian viewpoint, which regards Jesus as divine, not in a miraculous sense, but inasmuch as he was supremely aware of the divinity in himself, which also exists in every person created by God.

● *Anti-Semitism.* Here, the Council's teachings are not to deny its existence, but to regard it as the remnants of a disappearing social disease of which the less said the better. "Anti-Semitism is studied, but in its proper perspective, and weighed against the progress of American democracy in emancipating its citizens." The concept of the homeless Jew they utterly deny.

"We shall make it clear (they say) that Jewish fate has been linked to the world in which they live and that, although many Jews have been martyred, Jews have not gone through history with the mark of suffering, nor as a 'wandering' people, except as there were basic forces in the world, at any given time, that made for basic insecurities for all men."

● *Zionism.* Here, of course, the Council's stand is firm. Their rabbis and teachers warn pupils to avoid contact with Israelis, not to buy Israel bonds, never to sing the national anthem of any foreign country, and to boycott summer camps with Israel culture. Pupils learn that a "bookkeeping device" enables the Jewish Agency to conduct propaganda that persuades them to leave America. In short, the idea of the "Ingathering of the Exiles'" does not apply to them, and Israel is merely a haven for Jews of various nationalities who were victims of the distant force of intolerance which, they feel, is confined to Fascism and Communism.

They fail to realise the distinction between themselves and their neighbours, that most Americans are liberal in culture, conservative in politics, while most Jews are conservative in culture, liberal in politics.

KEEPING POSTED

SOBER Jerusalem is probably one of the few cities on earth where an ambassador on home leave with a reputation as an orator on a high intellectual level can draw as large an audience as a boxing champion. In essence, of course, Mr. Eban, Israel's Ambassador to Washington, who spoke at the Zion Hall on Friday evening, also spends his time sparring with an imaginary partner, and for those able to follow his classical turns of parase with ease it is a most stimulating performance. His style has been described lately as "Oxford Hebrew." There is justice in the observation in the sense that there are not many people in Jerusalem, apart of course from his own chief, Mr. Sharett, who can command so apt, accurate and sonorous a flow of language. It is certainly as far from the talk in which ARTIC is generally bought and sold as Oxford is from Jerusalem.

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Of course sometimes even a modest knowledge of the language would be a great help. One of our reporters was spending the morning at the Food Control Office watching the ration cards being distributed, and returned, rather indignant, with the following story: There was an immigrant, from Morocco at the Food Office who was adamant in his refusal to pay 150 pruta for his ration book, understood no Hebrew, and not much of the Jaffa Arabic spoken by the clerk in charge. The clerk tried to explain politely, though with mounting exasperation, that, certainly the newcomer was entitled to his ration book, but that the 150 pruta were by no means bakshoosh, but a legal charge. The argument grew loud and heated, with nobody understanding anybody else very well, and finally the reporter, who expected the ceiling to cave in any moment, offered to pay the fee and settle the matter. The clerk said that would be fine, but this transaction must be carried out in the passage outside, and not in sight of the other applicants. He had himself paid for so many ration books in the past, mainly as the result of having paid for the first one in public, that his wife had threatened to divorce him for non-support. In any case he would not like any false ideas of the financial powers of the press to get around his customers.

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WE rode in a car the other day with a talkative sailor. He had accepted the lift with all the natural grace of men accustomed to walking swaying decks, and with a good deal of self-assurance. Had he been waiting long, we asked? No, he said, sailors didn't wait as long as soldiers. For a long time, he hadn't quite understood why, and had ascribed it, so he said, to his personal charms. Then, one day, he took a ride in an open jeep, and after a while commented to the civilian driver that road manners seemed to be extraordinarily good in Israel nowadays. He had been watching for half an hour, and he hadn't seen a single driver speed, overtake when he shouldn't, or fail to give the most elaborately polite signs. The driver laughed bitterly. "They all think you're traffic police. Those white caps you have look like the cops' from a distance, and everybody in sight of this car is being careful. But don't worry, they don't do it the rest of the time." The sailor said it apparently worked on the road too, all the drivers pulling up at the sight of a white cap, and then being so relieved to see it wasn't actually trouble that they gave you a lift anyway. It was a good arrangement, and he was persuading his kid brother to apply for the Navy too, to save time on overland trips.

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IT was at Ain Harod that the big Mapai-Mapam split first became violent, and ended in a chicken-wire curtain to prevent outbreaks among heas of different political persuasions. Now the record turtle that was captured in triumph by a party of children a few days ago has also gone down into this political limbo, and will be hidden from the eyes if the profane like the Kaaba at Mecca. We have spent some time wondering how an adventurous Mapai child from next door could most easily get in, and decided that its best bet would be as a tourist, as we are not yet asking child tourists their politics before showing them our turtle.

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Progress of Sterling Considered Essential

Relaxing Trade Restrictions

By MERRIMAN SMITH

DENVER. — PRESIDENT Eisenhower on Tuesday threw his support behind a plan to liberalize American restrictions on foreign trade particularly with the United Kingdom. A five-point programme for "a freer American trade policy" was submitted to the President by Lewis W. Douglas, Former Ambassador to Great Britain, who represented the U.S. in financial and economic conversations with the United Kingdom last March.

President Eisenhower then forwarded the Report to Clarence Randall, Chairman of the new commission on foreign economic policy, hailing it as a real contribution to thinking in the field of Dollar-Sterling relationships. He commended the report to the early attention of Randall's Commission. The President also forwarded the Douglas recommendations to the head of each Federal Department and Agency concerned with foreign economic policy.

Freer Exchange

The Douglas Report says, "It is doubtful whether the world can recover a high degree of economic freedom or whether American exports—so important to large segments of our country—can enter foreign markets without benefit of continued American subventions and subsidies, unless Sterling makes further progress towards the removal of restrictions on trade and a more unfettered exchange of currencies, it is quite likely that, despite any international political institutions that have been developed or that may be developed in the future, the unity of the free world will remain precarious and fragile. On these points American national interests are vitally concerned."

After reviewing Britain's post-war economic difficulties which the Report says were due in part to "persistent and stubborn" American protection of the American market, Douglas suggested detailed remedies to the President:

"It is up to us as soon as possible to begin to revoke from our own policies the impediments to freer trade and currencies—that the U.S. should use every means, including legislation, to keep the United Kingdom and other Commonwealth Governments from being forced back into sweeping economic restrictions and controls."

He recommended:

● Encouragement of private investment of dollars in foreign countries by diminishing the hazards of double taxation and expropriation and the formation of a combination of inter-Governmental agencies, private management and capital to bridge the gap between American aid overseas and the period when the flow of private capital becomes adequate.

He suggested that the International Bank, with headquarters in Washington, and the Commonwealth Development Corporation in London, might coordinate the investment of American Dollars with Sterling within the Sterling area.

● Participation of the American banking houses in Sterling loans made by London banks—with the British guaranteeing a rate of exchange and the Export-Import Bank underwriting the transferability of Pounds Sterling into Dollars.

● "We should seek to develop measures to abate the violent fluctuations in the prices and the volume of the major raw materials that enter into international trade." Douglas tacked on to this particular recommendation that "one important approach" might be a coordinated Government Buying Plan between the United States and the United Kingdom whereby Government purchases would be stepped up when business was slack." (UP)

Readers' Letters

IDEOLOGY IN SCHOOLS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In your today's issue the Education Ministry's Press Officer corrects an error of a factual nature in your reporter's article on the Education Act. He has, however, overlooked what is surely a more important slip, namely, Mr. Brilliant's description of the supplementary studies as being in accord "with the ideological leanings of the parents."

If this were so it would surely mean the defeat of the main purpose of the Act. The fact that the Ministry's Press Officer has corrected one error and ignored another, is bound to be disturbing, especially concerning so vital an issue. We were assured in the Knesset that the supplementary studies would be exclusively of a pedagogic kind, but since your statement to the contrary has gone unchallenged, some clarification seems called for.

Yours, etc.,
ELIAS M. EPSTEIN
Jerusalem, August 16.

FAREWELL

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As we are leaving in a few weeks after three full and very happy years in Israel, some friends and reporters have assumed, and even publicly stated, that we are disappointed in general. This is pure imagination (though I have publicly expressed disappointment at one particular thing, the treatment of the Arab minority).

We shall work abroad for Israel and Zionism, and fight anti-Semitism as enthusiastically as ever. In fact, at our age we have been medically advised to cease regular physical labour, and have always said that when we ceased being useful to the country, we would leave our places and food for those who needed them more. To the very many who have treated us with such kindness, we are deeply grateful.

Yours, etc.,
B. Burgoyne and Elisabeth G. Chapman.
Mishmar Haemek, August 22.

JERUSALEM & NAHARIYA ART NOTES

Embarras de Richesse

THE "Far Eastern Art Exhibition" at Jerusalem's Bezalel Museum presents selected Chinese painting from the eighth to the 19th century. Japanese paintings range from the Ashikaga (16th century) to the Meji (since 1867) period. Japanese prints, illustrating the development from the 16th to the 19th century, are exhibited in a profusion never before seen in this country and rarely anywhere else.

Aesthetic appreciation of all these treasures is impeded by the fact that Far-Eastern pictures are meant to be enjoyed in perfect isolation. The cultured oriental would never decorate his room with more than one scroll or single print at a time. Inevitably, therefore, any large exhibition of these great works of art must be somewhat reminiscent of a stamp exhibition. (Well designed stamps are also at their best seen as isolated items.)

"Mental Blinkers"

The visitor is advised to equip himself with "mental blinkers". He must force himself to look only at one individual print out of all the hundreds at once. He must be strong willed in excluding neighbouring pictures from his vision in order to appreciate the artist's ultimate intentions.

I must confess, moreover, that I skipped all Samurais and Geishas. The "Samurai" and the "Geisha" are such absolute conceptions of the Japanese mind that an European, even if he admires the perfect pattern and balance of space in one or two prints, will ultimately find himself bored with the succession of furious knights and all-too-cultured ladies with complicated coiffures. The Japanese, a puny race, denied foreign wars for many hundreds of years, had to invent for themselves this feudal, swashbuckling mythology in order to feel virile. Similarly, having relegated the wife to the kitchen and instituted a draconic code of sexual behaviour, they had to invent the Geisha in order to enjoy highbrow conversation with females. Ignorant of the code, these specialized illustrations will remain to the admirer as cryptic as a football match photograph is to me.

However, the Chinese landscapes, among which one can loose oneself as completely as in a Chinese fairy tale are quite enchanting. Ming pictures of holy mountains, of summer palaces in the hills, of rivers under the moon have a dream-like beauty which would only be enhanced by hours of meditation.

I loved Hokusai's "Blue Carp", his "Flowers" and most of all the "Branch with Two Buds". There is true surrealism in Hu Yue Ts'on's series of stones and flowers, of rocks and bamboo thickets. Don't overlook Korgusai's "Old Immortals" and the "Lovers in Snow". Hieroshige's "Corck" and the "Rainy Day." The noblest exhibit is, I believe, the "Horses" by Chao Meng Fu' a Chinese artist of the 13th century.

But even at the risk of being laughed at by conoisseurs of Japaness Graphics: if I could choose something from this exhibition, I would take a couple of the block-books, which are the Far-Eastern version of the American Comic made by the very best artists in their playtime, open them and hang them all around my room.

This is certainly no exhaustive review of the Far Eastern Exhibition. Maybe I could have done better after three or four visits but my advice to the reader would not change: go there, see four or five pictures and come back.

TA. P.M.

AMERICAN ART

ISRAEL has often been compared in its present state with America at the beginning of the century. This being so, there is a lot of interest for Israelis in the exhibition of Early Americana now being shewn at the library at Nahariya.

The exhibition is being presented by the joint efforts of the Cultural Council of Nahariya and the United States Information Service and is called "Index of American Design." It comprises 75 water colours in tempera and gouache faithfully picturing early American art and handcraft now in museums in the United States. There is the reproduction of an intricate patchwork quilt featherstiched and embroidered worked by one of the pioneer women going West in a covered wagon when this hazardous journey took months. There are ships' figureheads carved by Dutch settlers, blankets and paintings from Mexico and one of those "Cigar Store Indians" that crop up in every description of the Wild West.

Most of the coloured things are brightly, not to say garishly mixed, a leaning towards show seeming to overtake all the new settlers whether they came from sober Holland or dazzling Spain. Judging from the shirts that adorn many of our younger generation this is another link that we have with the U.S.A.

HADASSAH BAT HAIM

Men and Things

THE escape to silence is one of the main activities of a society riddled by noise. Nature achieves one part of this escape for us, by acclimatising, in some mysterious alchemical way, the human brain to clanking trains, fiendish whistles and horns, and thunderous aircraft; so that the man, woman, child and especially baby of the twentieth century snores blissfully through every erstwhile interruption. And though blasting exhausts threaten the very atmosphere we breathe, and the vibrations engendered by mighty machines make ceiling plaster drop and concrete foundations crack and rot, the pristine soul of man hears nothing. He moves through a howling cacophony of conflicting tunes and harmonies with the self-absorbed smile of the recluse.

He heartily approves his shoemaker's action in putting thick rubber soles on every piece of footwear, his builder's forethought in providing rubber stops for every door, his car manufacturer's providential fitting of a silencer to every vehicle, and revels in the smooth quietness of his existence, which he takes for granted as a necessary concomitant of the civilised life. The music-lover can point to the Royal Festival Hall, London, from whose windows one can watch four trains simultaneously crossing the Thames a hundred yards away without hearing a sound or feeling a tremor, as the archetype of silence-making success. Yet when, recently, twelve Australian women's underwear manufacturing executives were left deliberating in a sound-proof board room while the rest of the building burned furiously, they must have felt, when rescued in the nick of time, that sound-insulation from the real world can go too far.

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